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Director

Office of Child Care

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## Dear OCC Director:

This letter describes how the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa plans to use the Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) awarded under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA).

We plan to use CRRSA funds for activities in the following categories:

- 1. Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices
- Red Cliff will use CRRSA funds to purchase equipment for sanitizing classroom and office spaces. We will also use funds to ensure our center has what it needs to be safe and ready to open once the building is complete.
- 2. Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers
- Red Cliff will use CRRSA funds to help support child care staff in getting educational requirements met so that all of our staff are qualified teachers.
- 3. Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic
- There are currently no licensed child care providers in our community that we would be able to support.



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## 4. Other

• The Red Cliff Early Childhood Center will be providing all of the meals to the child care center. The new center does not have a full kitchen and cannot prepare their own meals, therefore, food will be prepared at the ECC and will then be transported to the child care center daily. Due to the very small kitchen at the ECC, CRRSA funds will be used, along with HS/EHS funds, to expand the kitchen through a remodel. We may look at purchasing a vehicle to transport the meals from the ECC to the child care center. We will also have to purchase items to allow us to transport the food and keep it hot/cold.

The Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa will amend our CCDF plan as a result of activities implemented under CRRSA funding not currently described in the plan, within 60 days of implementation.

Sincerely,

**/s/** 

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**Child Care Center Administrator** 

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